

# All Saints Church Hampreston & Stapehill

## **Lockdown News Sheet**

## THY KINGDOM COME -

an international prayer initiative which takes us from Ascension Day 21<sup>st</sup> May to Pentecost 31<sup>st</sup> May – Here are details on how you can get involved:

#### **Praying for 5 people**

This is a wonderful opportunity to pray for 5 people you know who do not yet know Jesus as Lord and Saviour. Why not pray and ask God to bring to mind five people who He wants you to pray for and then commit to praying for them over this 13 day period. We suggest that you write their names on a piece of paper or post it note so that you can be reminded to pray for them.

#### **Prayer Journal**

Many Christians have found using a prayer journal a really encouraging activity as they can look back on how God has answered their prayers and brought good from difficult situations. Thy Kingdom Come gives us all an opportunity to write a prayer journal – *Copy attached*.

Reminder of Zoom Prayer gathering – Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 7:30pm – following this link <a href="https://zoom.us/j/93238298753?pwd=RWRRK1gveXhWZmxUZVA0aEpQeFJRUT09">https://zoom.us/j/93238298753?pwd=RWRRK1gveXhWZmxUZVA0aEpQeFJRUT09</a>
If you are prompted to enter the Meeting ID and password, these are available below:

Meeting ID: 932 3829 8753

Password: 600269.

## Online Worship Evening - Friday 29th May at 7.30pm

Come! Now is the time to worship! Join us on our Facebook page to worship and sing praises to our wonderful God. Here is a link to our Facebook Page.

#### **Church Giving**

There have been some enquiries of how to give if you normally give by cash or envelope.

There are a couple of suggestions;

- 1. Set up a temporary standing order with your bank to the church, account number 00016978, Sort Code 40-52-40.
- 2. Alternatively, to send a cheque, paid to PCC of Hampreston & Stapehill and posted to:

  St Marys Church Office,

  Church Road,

  Ferndown

  BH22 9EU

#### **Church Heating Update –**

The church heating project is moving forward, we are applying for a full faculty, the work will then be put out to tender. Please continue to pray for this important process.

## **Church Family News and Prayer requests**



#### News from Ruth and Brian Cuthbert –

We have an extraordinary testimony that's come about because of COVID-19.

Last month I (Ruth) had been keeping an eye on our next door neighbour who had been poorly with a long term illness. Sadly, he died. Subsequently his very good friend Wendy happened to go to his house recently and bumped into Brian as she left (we've noticed how God seems to position Brian in the right place at the right time!). Vaguely remembering we are Christians, she asked 'for someone with a faith to pray for her niece's husband as he was extremely ill in hospital with the virus'.

Brian immediately told me and we faithfully prayed for the next few weeks and sent her a copy of the 'UK

Blessing' song.

#### This is her latest text:

"Marcus was sent to a special unit and put on full life support, then after a tearful distressed late night call from his wife, my niece, when he was still in a coma, he started to fight. He was very slowly taken off oxygen and to cut a long and emotional story short he is now off oxygen and able to walk short distances. He is confused as he's lost 3 weeks of his life and has no conscious memory of any of it. Post ICU patients can struggle psychologically so Marcus is "normal" in that way. They are trying to get him home as think it will help. He is still testing positive but the hospital say not contagious (we hope). Still a long journey.

It is actually like a miracle and when he was transferred back to his local hospital they said they didn't think he would make it which makes me feel sick to think that. They gave him a 20% chance of survival but this unit in Leicester is one of 5 in the UK and are truly amazing. We have been trying to support them emotionally and financially in the hope of lessening Marcus's worries. Their 11 year old twin boys are petrified of going outside...even with a mask. Their mum was able to persuade one of the boys to go to the local shops with masks their nanny made them (my sister) and he realised outside isn't as scary as he thought but the other one won't go so we are hoping that when their Daddy gets home they will start to feel less anxious. We have struggled to cope as adults so goodness knows how they can.

## Thank you for your prayers - we don't have your faith"

This is an incredible opportunity to keep in contact with Wendy and we shall tell her more about our faith in the coming weeks as we continue to support her and her family in prayer.

She would be thankful for the greater church to pray for her family at this time.

With love, Ruth and Brian

#### Reminder

#### Benefice livestream services each Sunday morning at 10:45am

From St Marys' church Facebook Page (you don't need to join Facebook to view) https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Church/St-Marys-Ferndown-263776970428733/

Services can now also be accessed on YouTube <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnD--r6FPPILua1XR9yXDQ">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCnD--r6FPPILua1XR9yXDQ</a>

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

Sarah Libby Jean Brooman; Fiona Dodds; The Foulkes Family.
Pathways for All People. African Inland Mission.
Fernhill and Wimborne care homes. Brook View Care Home,
West Moors – please pray for patients and staff.
For Leo & Savanna and all the family for their joyful news.
For Wendy, Marcus and the family, that they may come to know the Lord and for Ruth and Brian and their ministry to them.
For Kate Smith as she recovers from surgery on 22<sup>nd</sup> May and begins radiotherapy in a few weeks.

#### Remember!

Help is available to anyone in need, if you, or anyone you know in the Benefice is in need of support, shopping, prescriptions etc please contact Helen Bifield 07419 907343 or email

allsaintshampreston@gmail.com

## **Discipleship in Lockdown Ideas**

Although we not able to gather as church, we still have opportunities to grow as disciples of Jesus. There are lots of resources available to help.



The Bournemouth and Yeovil stores may be closed but you can still order books, Bible Notes, CDs and much more from the Keith Jones website: https://www.keithjones.co.uk/ and by phone 01202 292272



Available on 90.1 FM and online. Lots of local and national info, uplifting interviews and songs and ways to keep us in touch as Christians in the Bournemouth area.



Available online www.premierchristianradio.com
and there is a free Premier Christian Radio & Premier Gospel App
available for iPhone and Android

## **Courses, Reflections & Podcasts**

- The Bible Course biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/the-bible-course/
- The Prayer Course (by 24/7 prayer) prayercourse.org/
- Westminster Theological College Free online course available until end of June https://wtctheology.org.uk/wtcresource/
- New Wine Free conference 30th July- 3rd August www.new-wine.org/
- J John Philo Trust https://canonjjohn.com/
- Simon Guillebaud https://www.simonguillebaud.com/
- Premier Christianity https://www.premierchristianity.com
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